

**ABSOLUTE RATING:** Average  
**IMPROVEMENT RATING:** Below Average

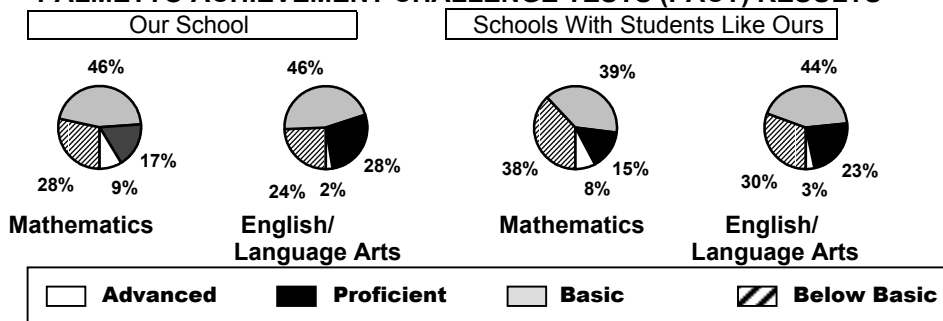
Number of middle schools with students similar to ours: 54. The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from below average to good. For the improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to good.

#### RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD



(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

#### PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS



#### DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced** – Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient** – Student performance met expectations.
- Basic** – Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic** – Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on 2004 School Report Cards. Social studies scores are to be reported on 2005 School Report Cards.

#### PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT

Student Group	English/ Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies
<b>All students (n=492)</b>	75.6%	71.7%	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than Speech (n=72)	69.4%	41.9%		
Students without disabilities (n=410)	78.5%	78%		
<b>Gender</b>				
Male (n=239)	74.1%	68.2%		
Female (n=243)	80.2%	76.6%		
<b>Ethnic Group</b>				
African American (n=127)	60.6%	56.3%		
Hispanic (n=5)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=349)	82.8%	78.2%		
Other (n=1)	N/A	N/A		
<b>Lunch Status Group</b>				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=199)	64.3%	61.1%		
Pay for lunch (n=283)	86.2%	80.6%		

## SCHOOL PROFILE

### INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Middle School
<b>SCHOOL</b>				
• Dollars spent per student	\$5,131	N/A	\$5,052	\$5,127
• Prime instructional time	85.2%	Down from 88.4%	89.8%	89.6%
• Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.5 to 1	N/A	21.2 to 1	21.4 to 1
<b>STUDENTS (n=536)</b>				
• Attendance rate	94.8%	Down from 95.8%	95.6%	95.7%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level	12%	N/A	4.7%	4.5%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level	9.7%	N/A	4.5%	4.0%
• Retention rate	5.3%	Up from 4.1%	4.5%	4.5%
<b>TEACHERS (n=30)</b>				
• Professional Development days per teacher	10.7 Days	Up from 10.6	8.1 Days	8.0 Days
• Attendance Rate	93.2%	Down from 95.6%	95.2%	95.2%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	43.3%	Down from 48.3%	45.1%	45.8%
• Continuing contract teachers	96.7%	Down from 100%	80.4%	80.8%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	3.3%	Up from 0%	2.1%	2.4%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	92.7%	Down from 96.2%	85.7%	83.7%
• Average teacher salary	\$39,451	Up 5.2%	\$37,620	\$37,455

#### SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Middle School
<b>SCHOOL</b>				
• Dropout rate	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	56.3%	N/A	60.3%	61.5%
• Principal's years at the school	13	N/A	2.5	3.0
• Parents attending conferences	47.3%	N/A	79.2%	78.2%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
<b>STUDENTS</b>				
• On academic plans	47%	Up from 31.4%	42.5%	45.8%
• On academic probation	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
• Older than usual for grade	5%	Up from 3.8%	4.2%	4.5%
• Suspended or expelled	20	N/A	14	15
• Enrolled in high school credit courses	14.4%	N/A	14.2%	13.2%
• Gifted and talented	29.6%	No change	14.3%	12.1%
• With disabilities other than speech	16.5%	Up from 15%	13.9%	13.6%



## PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

The 2000-2001 school year at Belton Middle School was very good. Our students showed improvement academically and engaged in several service learning activities. Among our accomplishments are:

- Twelve students recognized as Junior Scholars
- Twenty-four students invited to participate in the Duke Talent Identification program
- Three students made the Regional Band
- One student made the All State Band
- The students raised almost \$6000.000 for service learning activities
- One student was recognized with the Young Scientist Discovery Award at the Regional Science Fair

Our staff worked extremely hard during the year as we prepared for the 10-year accreditation with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, continued to implement the SC Standards, and continued to improve on the initiatives that the district had begun.

Several teachers began work on the National Board Certification while three teachers continued to work on their master's degrees. Sandra Mayberry was chosen as our Teacher of the Year. Twenty-six of the teaching staff members participated in conferences or conventions to stay abreast of teaching trends and to improve their performance in the classroom.

The PACT provided information that suggested weaknesses in 6th grade math. Significant progress was made in 7th grade ELA and math, as well as 8th grade math. All other subjects remained the same. To provide additional assistance for all students in math and ELA, utilization of the Computer Curriculum Corporation (CCC) lab was provided for 25 minutes per week in both math and ELA. Before school and after school times were also provided for students that wanted more help.

Thanks to all who have made Belton Middle School a great school.

### EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	76.0	59.2	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	87.5	65.4	
Satisfied with home-school relations	36.0	81.1	

### DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

**Excellent** – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Good** – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Average** – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Below Average** – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Unsatisfactory** – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Belton Middle  
102 Cherokee Road  
Belton, SC 29627

Grades 6-8 Middle School

Enrollment: 536 Students

#### Principal

Dr. Danny Hawkins 864-338-6595

#### Superintendent

Thomas T. Chapman 864-369-7364

#### Board Chair

Ronald E. Tysl 864-369-7364



## THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School  
Report Card

2001

School Grade:  
Average



### South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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